CITY IS FAVORED

Rock Island Has Lowest Mileage of Any Town in Three Eye Save Peoria.

TOTAL DISTANCE 2,403 MILES

Instructions to Umpires to Be Printed This Year—Islanders Show Up Well in Practice.

Rock Island's mileage under the schedule that has been approved for 1907 is 2,403 miles. That of the other towns in the Three-Eye is as follows: Peoria, 2,398; Cedar Rapids, 2,583; Dubuque, 2,931; Clinton, 2,635; Bloomington, 2,435; Springfield, 2,513; Decatur, 2,566.

The instruction to scorers throughout the league are soon to be sent out and now Secretary Miller of the league is working on the instructions to the umpires. These are to be arranged in readable form and each of the indicator men will get a copy for reference. Some day when an umpire makes a decision that looks raw to the fans he will be seen to take his instructions from his leather wallet on the hip pocket of his regalia and may be he will sustain the decision by them—who knows? One of the instructions likely to be put in this year is a direction to the umpire to hold up his right lunch grabber for a strike and his auxiliary hook to call a ball.

Run in Evening.

Each evening after practice this week Manager Tighe is taking the members of his aggregation of ball players for a run around the ball park, to develop wind, and to take the soreness out. Each of the members is given a certain amount of batting practice every afternoon, and a number are showing improvement in the art. For the last two seasons the Rock Island leaguers have lacked in this line. Tighe is wearing a smile today that wont come off. Mrs. Tighe arrived last evening from Norwich, and will make her home in this city. Pitcher Lundin is again ready for practice after having a sore heel for several days, contracted while training on the gymnasium floor in Iowa City last week.

The aggregation was out this morning going through its usual training and Tighe reports a very good practice. They are also at the park this afternoon.

RECORD OF THE PENNANT RACES

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	7	1	.875
New York	7	2	.778
Philadelphia	5	2	.714
Pittsburg	4	3	.571
Boston	3	6	.333
Cincinnati	3	6	.333
St. Louis	3	7	.300
Brooklyn	1	6	.143

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	Pct.
New York	5	2	.714
Chicago	6	3	.667
Philadelphia	5	3	.625
Detroit	5	4	.556
Cleveland	4	3	.551
Boston	3	5	.375
Washington	2	5	.286
St. Louis	2	7	.222

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Columbus	5	1	.833
Indianapolis	4	1	.800
Louisville	3	1	.750
Toledo	4	3	.571
Milwaukee	3	4	.429
Kansas City	1	2	.333
Minneapolis	1	5	.167
St. Paul	1	5	.167

WESTERN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Des Moines	4	2	.667
Sioux City	4	2	.667
Denver	3	3	.500
Lincoln	3	3	.500
Omaha	3	3	.500
Pueblo	1	5	.167

RESULTS YESTERDAY.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Chicago, 4; Cincinnati, 3.
Boston, 2; New York, 4.
St. Louis, 5; Pittsburg, 7.
Brooklyn-Philadelphia, wet grounds.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Cleveland-Chicago, rain.
Detroit, 7; St. Louis, 4.
Philadelphia - Washington, wet grounds.
New York-Boston, wet grounds.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

Toledo, 3; Milwaukee, 4 (10 innings).
Other games postponed, rain.

WESTERN LEAGUE.

Lincoln, 3; Omaha, 5.
Sioux City, 7; Denver, 6.
Des Moines, 9; Pueblo, 8.

Bloomington Wins Loose Game.

Bloomington, Ill., April 24.— Both teams played loosely and the pitchers in the opening inning were wild. Beck's batting was the feature. The score:

Bloomington	1	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	6
Burlington	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	11	4

Batteries—Thorson, Lavelle, Wilson and Donovan; Hansen, Frost and Brugeman.

The Highest Tower in U. S.

The Metropolitan tower now being built in New York City will be the highest structure in this country and only exceeded by one other in the entire world—the Eiffel tower in Paris. In building this new tower 8,500 tons of steel will be used, this amount being necessary for proper wind bracing. When the system is run down and in a weakened condition you require a medicine that is capable of building up and renewing the entire system. In Hostetter's Stomach Bitters you will positively find such a medicine, and when you remember that it is backed by a 53 years' record of cures you ought not hesitate another minute in trying a bottle. It cures poor appetite, belching, costiveness, heartburn, biliousness, indigestion, dyspepsia, kidney troubles, female ills or malaria, fever and ague. It is strictly pure.

MELLODY IS LOSER

Welter Champion Outpointed by Mike, "Twin," Sullivan at Los Angeles.

GO 20 GRUELING ROUNDS

Honey's Rushes End in Clinches Where He is Severely Punished With Upper Cuts.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 24.—Mike (Twin) Sullivan was given the decision over Honey Mellody at the end of twenty fast rounds last night. At all stages Sullivan showed unmistakable superiority and outgeneraled Mellody at in-fighting. Mellody's tactics were confined to rushes generally ending in clinches, where Sullivan used right upper cut and short-hand jabs to the face with telling effect.

Took Much Punishment.

Mellody took a world of punishment, and although at several stages of the fight he seemed staggered by stiff rights to the face, came back fighting.

FROM THE DOPE BOX.

McFarland, manager of the Clinton Infants, has released McGinty, the amateur catcher from this city. With him went Outfielder Kousche and Pitcher Stroud. The latter is expected to find a place in the Iowa league. McFarland is dickering with the Quincy team for exhibition games Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Both teams want to play at home.

The Three-Eye season opens one week from today. Until May 1 the farmers will have to depend on artificial irrigation.

Pa Hill has gone back into the game at Cedar Rapids and is covering the first sack. He has released Cooke, Gamble, and Greene. The first day that he was in the game the Rabbits beat Waterloo by a 5 to 0 score and the Cedar Rapids papers credit the victory to Hill's playing.

A clipping from one of the Mobile papers is to the effect that Mike Breyette is one of the fastest shortstops ever seen in that city, nd that he is setting the Cotton States league afire with his fast work. In the first series he accepted fifteen chances without an error and his wrok of getting away from the plate is about as fast as seen in the big leagues. They call him "Rabbit" down there because of his fleetness, and say they wouldn't part with him for anything.

Three-Eye league releases are announced at Bloomington as follows: By Bloomington, Ketter, Flynn, and McBride, outfielders, and Kline, pitcher; by Springfield, Third Baseman Burg to Marshalltown, Iowa; Catcher Riordan of Detroit to Keokuk, and Pitcher Hatch; by Peoria, Pitchers Howlett of Detroit and Johnston, an amateur; by Cedar Rapids, Pitchers Boyd and Benn.

Manager Donovan must be well supplied with material, for he has released Otto Vogel, the second baseman who made such a good impression last year, Phil Ketter, last year's change catcher, Kline, the Missouri pitcher, and Mike Flynn, a namateur.

Manager Donnelly last evening released infielders Dillon and O'Brien. Dillon goes to Quincy of the Iowa state league and O'Brien will return to his home in Cleveland.

FOR ILLINOIS PRESS MEETING

Talent of High Order on Program at Peoria Next Month.

The program committee of the Illinois Press association, which meets in Peoria during the latter part of May, is leaving no stone unturned that will make the meeting the most auspicious in the association's history. No ordinary speaker is good enough for the Illinois editors, who feel that they should be addressed by such noted men as William Jennings Bryan, Elbert Hubbard, and Emerson Hough, author of "The Mississippi Bubble." The membership of the Illinois Press association includes the smaller dailies and many of the weekly papers in Illinois.

VELOCITY WINS GREAT RACE

Captures City and Suburban Handicap at London Worth 2,000 Sovereigns.

London, April 24.—The city and suburban handicap, worth 2,000 sovereign, at Epsom today was won by Velocity; Larino second, Succor third. Thirteen horses started. Dean Swift, winner of the event last year, was the favorite, but was not placed.

Daniels Breaks Another Mark.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 24.—Charles M. Daniels of the New York Athletic club last night in a tank of the East Liberty baths, clipped three-fifths of a second from the world's 80-yard swimming record, covering the distance in 43 2-5.

Bitten by a Spider.

Through blood poisoning caused by a spider bite, John Washington of Bosqueville, Texas, would have lost his leg, which became a mass of running sores, had he not been persuaded to try Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes: "The first application relieved, and four boxes healed all the sores." 25 cents; guaranteed at W. T. Hartz's druggist, 301 Twentieth street.

Fisherman's Luck Kills Him.

Kankakee, Ill., April 24.—With a live fish still struggling on his line, the pole grasped in his stiffened fingers, George Powell, an aged fisherman, was found dead in the river near this city. Excitement over the catch is supposed to have caused his death from heart trouble.